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April 3, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CABINET

FROM:

LEE L. VERSTANDIG

SUBJECT:

Commission on Indian Reservation Economies

As you may recall, in January 1983 the President issued his Indian Policy statement at which time White House liaison responsibilities to Indian Tribal governments were transferred from the White House Office of Public Liaison to the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs. Also, it was at that time, that the President announced the establishment of the Commission on Indian Reservation Economies.

The goal of the Commission is to promote the development of a strong private sector on Federally recognized Indian reservations. To accomplish that objective, the President has instructed the Commission to identify and assess both the obstacles and opportunities associated with Native American economic development. A final report is to be submitted to the President no later than November 1984, which will reduce the obstacles to Indian Reservation economic development, to lessen tribal dependence on Federal workers and programs, and to minimize the Federal presence in Indian Affairs.

In undertaking that task, the Commission has sought to utilize your Department's professional expertise and involvements with Indian economic development issues. If your Department has not yet been contacted by the Commission, you will be hearing from them in the near future.

Since my office serves as the White House liaison with Indian tribal governments, I wanted to bring to your attention the task of the President's Commission on Indian Reservation Economies and to urge your Department's cooperation and assistance in achieving its objectives. If my office can be of any assistance to you, please don't hesitate to call upon me.

I appreciate your cooperation on this important matter.